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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Pai-Hung Pan

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SHALLOW TRENCH ISOLATION
STRUCTURE WITHOUT CORNER
EXPOSURE AND RESULTING
STRUCTURE

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This communication is in response to the Final Office Action mailed on April 8, 2003, the three-month shortened statutory period for response to which expires on July 8, 2003. As June 8, 2003, falls on a Sunday, this response, which is being submitted by Monday, June 9, 2003, should be deemed to have been submitted within two months of the mailing date of the Final Office Action.